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Dear Ms. Cook:

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) staff has completed reviewing the letter-of-intent nominations for aquatic reserves and I am pleased to inform you that we would like to seek a full proposal for your nominations of Protection Island as a scientific and educational reserve, and Smith Island as an environmental, scientific and educational reserve.

Included with this cover letter you will find the application for full proposals, as well as the Aquatic Reserves Implementation and Design Guidance Document. When completing your proposals, please be sure to address all the General Site Information including that information under the section Environmental Reserve Information.

In addition, since you are proposing your site as a scientific and educational reserve make sure that you complete the information in Section 2 and 3. Be sure to try and provide all the information requested in these sections.

We would also like you to clearly identify the following;

- The level of involvement the site proponent can commit to each stage of the process, including public outreach, planning and implementation.
- The level of support from adjacent landowners, agencies and tribes.
- The interaction and management overlap between the National Wildlife Refuges and the Aquatic Reserves
- The existing and potential future research and educational opportunities at the sites.

The deadline for submission of full proposals will be Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> 2008. If you have any questions about the application or the nomination process, please feel free to call me at (360) 902-1073.

Thank you

Kyle C. Murphy  
Aquatic Reserves Program Manager